

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA  
ABSTRACT

Energy Department – SCCL - Mines and Minerals – request for Letter of intent for appending non-Coal bearing area over an extent of 197.268 Ha to 'Penagadapa Coal Block' located in Forest and Non-Forest areas in Penagadapa and Thippanapalli Villages at Chunchupalli and Chandrugunda Mandals of Bhadradi-Kothagudem District for ancillary/allied activities like dumping over burden, infrastructure etc for obtaining approval of Mining Plan & Mine Closure Plan from Ministry of Coal, Govt. of India – Letter of intent – Issued.

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ENERGY (POWER.II) DEPARTMENT

**G.O.Rt.No. 28**

**Dated: 27-05-2021.  
Read the following:**

1. From the General Manager, SCC Ltd., Bhadradi-Kothagudem District, Lr.No.KGM/EST/M/17/447, dated 02.12.2020.
2. From the Director of Mines and Geology, Lr.No.965033/R1-2/2021, Date: 20.04.2021.

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**ORDER:**

In the reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above, M/s. Singareni Collieries Company Limited has submitted application to the Director of Mines and Geology and requested for appending of non-Coal bearing area over an extent of 197.268 Ha to the 'Penagadapa Coal Block (PCB)' in Penagadapa and Thippanapalli Villages at Chunchupalli and Chandrugunda Mandals in Forest and Non-Forest areas of Bhadradi-Kothagudem District for dumping of overburden, infrastructure, safe barrier etc.

2. The Director of Mines & Geology in the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read while referring to the proposal of the M/s Singareni Collieries Company Limited (M/s SCC Ltd) informed that the Nominated Authority, Ministry of Coal, Govt. of India vide allotment order F.No.103/7/2016/NA, Dated:15.12.2016 allotted "Penagadapa Coal Block" over an extent of 270.206 Ha to M/s SCC Ltd for commercial mining. Accordingly, the allotment agreement was entered vide certificate No.IN-DL-857579078236160, Dt:28.08.2016. As per the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Coal, Govt. of India vide G.No.34011/28/2019-CPAM, Dt:29.05.2020 appending of non-Coal area to the Coal & Lignite mining is requisite for ancillary/allied activities for obtaining approval of Mining Plan and Mine Closure Plan. M/s SCC Ltd prepared Mining Plan along with Mine Closure Plan for the Penagadapa Coal Block after completion of detailed geological exploration and finalization of report. After completion of detailed exploration of Penagadapa Coal Block in 2019, an extent of extent of 218.50 Ha is Coal bearing and balance 51.706 Ha found to be non-Coal bearing out of the total allotted Penagadapa Coal Block extent of 270.206 Ha.

3. The DMG, Hyderabad has also informed that the non-Coal bearing area for ancillary/allied activities will be appended to the existing/sanctioned mining lease for Coal. In the present case, Penagadapa Coal Block is allotted by the Ministry of Coal, Govt. of India, the mining lease will be obtained only after getting approval of Mining Plan from the Ministry of Coal, Govt. of India; Forest & Environment Clearances from the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Govt. of India. Therefore, the orders of the State Govt. is requisite for appending non-Coal area to the Penagadapa Coal Block for ancillary/allied activities for approval of Mining Plan and Mine Closure Plan.

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4. The DMG, Hyderabad has further informed that M/s SCC Ltd reported that out of total 270.206 Ha of Penagadapa Coal Block, an extent of 243.331 Ha is Forest land and balance 26.875 Ha is non-Forest land. Further, out of 243.331 Ha of Forest land, an extent of 24.831 Ha is non-Coal bearing and balance 218.50 Ha is Coal bearing. the Asst. Director of Mines & Geology, Bhadradi-Kothagudem District vide his letter Dt:3.2.2021, reported the area proposed for appending has been inspected on 02.12.2020 and the details of non-Coal bearing area over an extent of 197.268 Ha proposed for appending to Penagadapa Coal Block for ancillary/allied activities is as given under:

S. No	Description	Comp. No./ Sy.No.	Range / Village	Extent (in Ha.)
1	Forest Land	31	Ramvaram	27.287
2	Non-Forest land	146	Thippanapalli	168.706
3		116	Thippanapalli	1.275
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>197.268</b>

S. No	Village	Patta/Govt./ Assigned land	Survey No	Extent (in Ha)	Present Land Status
1	Thippanapalli	Govt. Assigned Land	116	1.27	Agricultural Land
2			146	140.959	
3			146	3.333	In the Mohammed Nagar village.
	Non Forest area adjacent & adjoining PCB			145.562	
4	Forest area in PCB			24.831	51.706 Ha of non-Coal bearing area.
5	Non-Forest area in PCB			26.875	
	TOTAL			197.268	

5. The DMG, Hyderabad informed that the extent of 197.268 Ha proposed for appending has been surveyed on 27.01.2021 by the Surveyor, o/o. Asst. Director of Mines & Geology, Bhadradi-Kothagudem and attended by Dy.General Manager (Estates) and Dy. General Manager (Survey) and Senior Geologist, M/s SCC Ltd. Further, M/s SCC Ltd is holding the following mining leases for Coal in Penugadapa Village, Chunchupalli Mandal, Bhadradi-Kothagudem District. The details are as follows:

S. No	Mining Lease and Grant order & Date	Leased Area (in Ha.)	Non-Forest Land	Forest Land		Lease Period
				Surface Rights	Under Ground Rights	
1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Renewal of Mining Lease (G.O.Ms.No.324 I&C M.III Dept., Dt:12.12.2008)	5158.00	3692.00	291.82	1174.18	27.04.2009 to 26.04.2029
2	1 <sup>st</sup> Renewal of GK-OCP Phase/I G.O.Ms.No.211, I&C M.III) Dept., Dt: 08.08.2008)	261.31	0.00	261.31	0.00	19.09.2007 to 18.09.2034

The non-Coal bearing area proposed for appending over an extent of 197.268 Ha falls South of the mining leases for Coal in the table above.

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6. The Asst. Director of Mines & Geology, Bhadradri-Kothagudem reported that as per the geological report M/s SCC Ltd drilled boreholes P/395, P/068, P/16, P/071, P/375, P/376 and P/144 in the allotted Penagadapa Coal Block. The metamorphic rocks were encountered at vertical depths of 37.00m, 4.88m, 60.62m, 62.03m, 70.60m, 32.91m and 24.72m respectively. The geological mapping data confirms that there is no existence of Coal over the area of 197.268 Ha proposed for ancillary/allied activities for Penagadapa Opencast Mine. The proposed area of 197.268 Ha is falling in and around Mohammad Nagar Village (145.562 Ha) and partly in Penagadapa Coal Block Forest & non-Forest area (51.706 Ha) in Penagadapa and Thippanapalli Villages at Chunchupalli and Chandrugunda Mandals in Forest and Non-Forest areas of Bhadradri-Kothagudem.

7. Further, M/s SCC Ltd furnished an affidavit Dt:14.07.2020 stating that land acquisition process will be initiated for non-Coal bearing area over 197.268 Ha after approval of Mining Plan & Mine Closure Plan by Ministry of Coal, Govt. of India. Out of total 197.268 Ha of non-Coal bearing area, 169.938 Ha of non-Forest area will be utilized after acquisition of land under RFCTLARR Act, 2013 and accordingly payment of compensation and balance extent of Forest area will be utilized after diversion of Forest land under Forest Conservation Act, 1980 after payment of necessary compensation.

8. The DMG, Hyderabad informed that M/s SCC Ltd requested for recommending to the State Govt. for appending 197.268 Ha of non-Coal bearing area adjacent & adjoining Penagadapa Coal Block in Penagadapa and Thippanapalli Villages at Chunchupalli and Chandrugunda Mandals in Bhadradri-Kothagudem District for the purpose of ancillary/allied activities. The Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Bhadradri-Kothagudem District proposed for appending non-Coal bearing area of 197.268 Ha adjacent & adjoining existing mining leases for Coal and Penagadapa Coal Block in Penagadapa and Thippanapalli Villages at Chunchupalli and Chandrugunda Mandals in Bhadradri-Kothagudem District for ancillary/ allied activities.

9. The DMG, Hyderabad, in the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, has requested the Government to issue memo/orders to M/s Singareni Collieries Company Limited appending total non-Coal bearing area over an extent of 197.268 Ha for dumping of overburden, infrastructure, safe barrier etc., subject to the following conditions:

1. Conduct mining operations in 218.50 Ha of Coal bearing area in Forest land in 'Penagadapa Forest Block' after final allotment of 'Penagadapa Coal Block' by Ministry of Coal, Govt. of India and Forest Clearance/ Environmental Clearance from MoEF & CC.
2. Utilize total 197.268 Ha of non-Coal bearing area proposed for ancillary/allied activities for dumping overburden, infrastructure, office shelter, parking of mining machinery, tippers, dumpers safe barrier etc only after obtaining Forest clearance from MoEF&CC for 51.706 Ha of area falling in 'Penagadapa Coal Block' and acquisition of land under RFCTLARR Act, 2013 and payment of compensation for balance area of 145.562 Ha.

10. Government after careful examination hereby issue "Letter of Intent" appending total non-Coal bearing area over an extent of 197.268 Ha (51.706 Ha non-Coal bearing area falling within Penagadapa Coal Block and 145.562 Ha of non-Coal bearing area falling adjacent and adjoining Penagadapa Coal Block in Mohammed Nagar Village) in Forest and Non-Forest areas to "Penagadapa Coal

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Block" falling within and adjacent/adjoining to Penagadapa Coal Block in Penagadapa and Thippanapalli Villages at Chunchupalli and Chandrugunda Mandals of Bhadradi-Kothagudem District for dumping of overburden, infrastructure, safe barrier etc., subject to the following conditions:

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11. The Chairman & Managing Director, SCCL shall take necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

**SANDEEP KUMAR SULTANIA**  
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To

The Chairman & Managing Director, Singareni Collieries Company Limited,  
The Director of Mines and Geology, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The Asst. Director of Mines and Geology,  
Kothagudem, Bhadradi Kothagudem District.  
The District Collector, Bhadradi Kothagudem District.  
The Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Coal, New Delhi.  
The Controller General, Indian Bureau of Mines, Nagpur.  
The Director General of Mines Safety, Dhanbad, Jarkhand.  
The Regional Controller of Mines, Koti, Hyderabad.  
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